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leaks in piping and equipment. Recommendations are based upon
experience in this work.

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Corrosion in steam heating systems. By Leo F. Collins and Everette L.
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construction problems, solutions of which are thought to be unique.
Since techniques for foundation treatment were developed progres-
sively to suit varying conditions encountered, different parts of
foundations are described in order in which they were uncovered.
Ordinary procedures, conditions, and methods are described only
briefly to permit more complete description of extraordinary con-
ditions and ground-water behavior after filling of reservoir.

Foundation exploration and geologic studies at Chickamauga Dam. By
Portland P. Fox. American society of civil engineers. Pro-
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Engineers and geologists seldom encounter more difficult founda-
tion problems in construction of large dam than those which pre-
vailed at Chickamauga Dam. Rock forming foundation of dam
consists mainly of thin-bedded, pure to argillaceous limestone
with thin interstratified beds of bentonite and shale. Rocks
are intricately folded and faulted, and are quite cavernous, es-
pecially in zones of structural weakness. All of foundation
problems, including heavy overburden, are related, directly or
indirectly, to structure and solubility of rock. By carefully
logging, correlating, and plotting all data made available from
many hundreds of coredrill holes of both small and large diameters,
it was possible to reconstruct complex foundation conditions, in
detail, in advance of actual excavation. This detailed geologic
work aided engineers in determining not only depth to which exca-
vation was necessary, but also extent and character of foundation
treatment that were necessary.

Foundation exploration and geologic studies at Guntersville Dam. By
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Construction of dam in vicinity of Guntersville, Ala., has been
under consideration since 1914. Geologic investigations of
several proposed sites were made in that year by U. S. Army Engi-
neers, and work was continued in 1933. First investigations by
Tennessee Valley Authority were begun in fall of 1934. Detailed
geologic map of region was made, stratigraphic studies of various
formations involved were conducted, numerous geologic sections
were measured and described, and considerable structural data
were accumulated. Eight dam sites were examined. Each was sub-
jected to intensive study, which was greatly facilitated by diamond-
drill cores previously obtained by Army Engineers. This paper is
brief summary of geological studies upon which final design was based.

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Causes of failure in tile drains. By Fred F. Shafer. Agricultural engineering. v.21,no.1. January, 1940. p.17-18,20. Information presented in paper is based in general way on about thirty years of personal experience and observation in thirty-six states, but more particularly on large volume of repair work done on public tile drains in Ohio, during past four years, by CCC drainage camps. There are five broad bases under which all failures of tile drains may be classified, namely, (1) manufacturing processes and materials used, (2) improper design of ditches, (3) improper construction, (4) lack of inspection and maintenance, and (5) physical structure of soil. Table 1. Probable causes of failure of tile drainage in certain areas of Ohio.

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Our drainage problems. By John G. Sutton. Soil conservation. v.5,no.7. January, 1940. p.179-182,194.

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Loose fibre drying. Textile weekly. v.25,no.621. January 26, 1940. p.103,105,107,109. Application of a successful hot air system: Spooner Dryer and Engineering co., ltd.

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All-electric milk room. By J. H. Bodwell. Rural electrification
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Gow, J.T.L. McNew, and W. L. Waters. American society of
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Diesel costs. By Pakenham Beatty. Power plant engineering.
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Diesel engine users Ass'n cost report brings to light many
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tions, excess capacity and heat recovery.

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graphed, together with pressure records of same explosions. These
records of flame motion and pressure development have been examined
to determine effects of changing mixture ratio, spark position, and
throttle opening. Also, some quantitative relationships between

Engines. (Cont'd).

fraction of charge burned and pressure developed at any time during explosion have been tested with experimental data observed while operating engine under several sets of conditions. It is shown that, by means of these relationships, both fractional volume and fractional mass of charge inflamed at any time may be calculated from pressure cards with accuracy comparable with accuracy of present experimental observations.

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Coast and river conservancy. By Ernest Latham. Engineering.
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tility and moisture, facilitate timely planting, tending and
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crops into better livestock feed. Opportunities in Kansas mean
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confidence.

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Sugar beet machinery development is major cooperative research

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Power for plowing. By Dave Thompson. Prairie farmer. v.111,no.6. March 25, 1939. p.4,16.

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Grind and get along. By Robert Rea. Farmer-stockman. v.52,no.23. December 1, 1939. p.5.

Plan feed storage capacity making feed grinding an automatic operation. By C. P. Wagner. Markets: building section. v.4,no.11. November 2, 1939. p.5. Table gives effect of speed on rate, fineness, and power for grinding oats with hammer mills.

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Fertilizer placement increases yields. Florida grower.
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Chopped hay lessens danger of barn fires. By Cecil Barger.
Kansas farmer. v.77,no.3. February 10, 1940. p.22-23.

More fire protection for farm homes. Prairie farmer.
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reasons, according to verdict of fire-fighting officials: (1) Lack
of organization for fighting farm fires. (2) Lack of fire-fighting
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Performance test of floor coverings for use in low cost housing:
Part 1. By P. A. Sigler and E. A. Koerner. Washington, D.C.,
1940. 14p. "Selected references:"p.14. U.S. National
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Flow of Air.

Performance of stack heads. By D. W. Nelson, D. H. Krans and
A. F. Tuthill. Heating, piping and air conditioning.
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from duct openings similar to those used in rooms. Elaborate
tables are supplied by various grille manufacturers to show dis-
tribution of air from grille face, but these tables assume good
approach to grille such as occurs when grille is placed at end
of straight duct. In actual installations, however, poor approach
conditions are frequently encountered as grille is often immediately
preceded by elbow turn or stack head. In this investigation chief
attention was given to determination of velocities and directions
of components of air stream as they issued from face of stack head
being tested.

Flow of Water and Gases.

Flow of liquids through beds of granular solids. By William H. Ward.
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Photographic study of fluid flow between banks of tubes. By
R. Pendennis Wallis. Engineering. v.148,no.3848.
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Advantages to farmer: 1. Greater acreage. 2. More stable market.
3. Possibility of marketing greater variety of crops. Table I.
Amounts to be frozen and months in which frozen. Table II. Estimated
cost of farmer's requirements if secured from locker plants.

Nutritive value of frozen foods. By Faith Fenton. Locker patron.
v.1,no.5. December, 1939. p.8,28-29. Summarizes
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Frost Protection.

Utilizing waste from orchard heaters. California cultivator.
v.86,no.24. December 2, 1939. p.649. Effort has
been made to devise burners which will burn this waste and at
orchard heating meetings held this fall by extension service,
burner was shown and demonstrated in which various kinds of orchard
heating waste could be burned in satisfactory manner and with very
small output of smoke. Little fuel oil is needed to start such
burner going but after it gets going everything combustible will
burn. Heater has rather tall stack, and tubes in various parts
of cover take air down into container in near contact with fuel
and providing draft of air over it. Cost of such heater is
naturally more than that of ordinary orchard heaters. However,
comparatively few are needed as refuse from other heaters can be
burned effectively in these special heaters.

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Insulation for cold storage. By H. Seymour. Brewers digest. v.15,no.3. February,1940. p.35. Table gives specific gravity and coefficient of conductivity for various materials used in construction of cold stores.

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Man-Made rain. By Paul C. Rice. New Jersey farm and garden. v.10,no.10. October, 1939. p.5,40.

New system of field, orchard and garden irrigation. Implement and machinery review. v.65,no.776. December 1, 1939. p.770-772.

Russia's new irrigation systems. Implement and machinery review. v.65,no.776. December 1, 1939. p.775. Department of

Irrigation. (Cont'd).

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Annotated.

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